

## Message Text

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DRAFTED BY EB/OT/GCP - C MAST  
APPROVED BY EB/OT/GCP - JSLATTERY  
STR - D COOPER (SUBS)  
COMMERCE - S KAMISKY  
EA/EP - M HENDERSON  
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R 140133Z MAR 78  
FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY MANILA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRD, RP,

SUBJECT: PHILIPPINE REQUEST FOR ADDITIONS TO GSP LIST

REFS: A) STATE 50501 B) MANILA 3186

1. USG HAS REVIEWED PHILIPPINE REQUEST THAT ITS  
PETITION ON LEATHER GLOVES (TSUS 705.35 AND 705.60 TO  
705.78) BE WITHDRAWN. USG UNABLE TO ACCEDE TO  
PHILIPPINE REQUESTS, SINCE PRODUCTS WERE IN FACT  
CONSIDERED ON MOTION OF TPSC, NOT AS A RESULT OF GOP  
PETITION. SUGGESTED LANGUAGE FOR NOTE FROM EMBASSY TO  
PHILIPPINE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS FOLLOWS:

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3. THE US GOVERNMENT HAS REVIEWED THE NOTE OF THE  
GOVERNMENT OF THE PHILIPPINES AND IS UNABLE TO ACCEDE TO  
ITS REQUEST TO WITHDRAW ITS PETITION TO DESIGNATE  
GLOVES (TSUS 705.35 AND 705.60 TO 705.78) AS ELIGIBLE  
FOR GSP ENTRY.

4. DUE TO TIME CONSTRAINTS AND THE LACK OF ACCOMPANYING DATA, THE INTERAGENCY TRADE POLICY STAFF COMMITTEE WAS UNABLE TO ACCEPT THE PETITION OF THE GOVERNMENT

OF THE PHILIPPINES TO ADD PRODUCTS TO THE GSP LIST DURING THE FALL REVIEW. IN ORDER, HOWEVER, TO BE AS RESPONSIVE AS POSSIBLE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PHILIPPINES REQUESTS, THE TPSC DECIDED TO CONSIDER, ON ITS OWN-MOTION, THE POSSIBLE INCLUSION ON THE GSP DUTY-FREE LIST OF TSUS 705.35 AND 705.60 TO 705.78 WHICH WERE IN FACT REQUESTED BY THE UNACCEPTED PETITION OF THE PHILIPPINES. SINCE THESE ITEMS WERE CONSIDERED ON THE MOTION OF THE TPSC, THERE IS NO ACCEPTED PHILIPPINE PETITION WHICH CAN BE WITHDRAWN.

5. AFTER PUBLIC HEARINGS AND A FULL INVESTIGATION, THE TPSC DETERMINED THAT IT WAS UNABLE TO MODIFY THE DUTY STATUS ON TSUS 705.35 AND 705.60 TO 705.78. AN EXECUTIVE ORDER DELINEATING THE MANDATORY AND DISCRETIONARY ASPECTS OF THE ANNUAL GSP REVIEW WAS SUBSEQUENTLY SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT ON FEBRUARY 25, 1978. ITEMS TSUS 705.35 AND 705.60 TO 705.78 WERE AMONG THE ITEMS NOT ADDED TO THE US GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES.

6. THE NEGATIVE DETERMINATION IN THIS CASE DOES NOT UNCLASSIFIED

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PREVENT THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PHILIPPINES FROM PETITIONING THE TPSC ON THESE ARTICLES IN THE FUTURE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE REGULATIONS. NOR DOES THIS DETERMINATION PREJUDICE A NEW PETITION, IF CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD CHANGE OR IF NEW INFORMATION SHOULD BECOME AVAILABLE THAT IS SUFFICIENT TO SUPPORT THE ACTION REQUESTED. THE GOP SHOULD, HOWEVER, BE AWARE OF THE REGULATION WHICH REQUIRES THAT FOR ANY PRODUCT PREVIOUSLY CONSIDERED BY THE TPSC, IN ORDER TO BE ACCEPTABLE ANY NEW PETITION MUST DEMONSTRATE NEW OR CHANGED CIRCUMSTANCES LIKELY TO CAUSE THE TPSC TO CHANGE ITS PREVIOUS DETERMINATION.

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